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ASKS CONGRESS FOR POWER TO ARM SHIPS

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RGES ARMED NEUTRALITY BY AMERICAN CONGRESS

esident, Still Anxious to Avoid War, Requests Authority to Protect Americans and Their Rights---Tense Situation in National Capital.

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Feb. 26 .-- President Wilson apared before congress at 1 o'clock this afternoon sels to leave the United States for the work of former legislatures in-many. dasked for authority to place the United States in with Germany were severed. Both behind than is generally the case for resentatives here of other Latin state of "armed neutrality" to resist the German Sold from New York for the work may be said to be more near-American reput bmarine menace.

News of the sinking of the liner Laconia with mericans aboard was received here as the presi nt was on his way to congress. Although without tails, its grave possibitities added emphasis to the esident's words.

Continued Invasion of the rights sent to the public printer at 9:30. A neutrals on the high seas, further the same time the president conferrthees of American lives and ships, o.! with Chairman Stone of the forintolerable blockade-almost as o'rn relations committee give as if the country were at No announcement was made, but

powered to take whatever steps ships and seamen. necessary made it plain again To ask for authority to use forces the wanted peace, but not at the of the United States to protect the e of American lives and rights, rights of the natin is in no sense an

largress is expected not only to acts by any other nation. horize the president to use the The president decided to ask before is forces of the country, but to congress adjourned that he be given

the war between England and take the chance.

se of the resusas of the German neutral shipping. ment to conduct its submarine The president is confident that fare in accordance with neutral

Pactice, the president said "It The president is as anxious as ever now been into practice for nearly to prevent war with Germany, but weeks. The practical results is insistent that American rights be

The commerce of the other neutral President Wilson will ask for the thuel that he perhaps very right to establish a "state of armed right to establish a made full prethe imperial government was put vessels.

of the German submarine warfor tying up of our ships in tions must be upheld.

able to safeguard our neutral able am not contemplating war nor ble.

War can come only by direc- congress.

Ry Associated Press.) will address a joint session that the right of other neutrals have to skill more than muscle. congress at 1 p m. today.

the president will ask congress to shown no disposition to follow the Wilson is authorized by congress to shown no disposition to follow the Wilson is authorized by congress to shown no disposition to follow the Wilson is authorized by congress to hited States to protect American direct appeal is made to them.

he President completed his adearly this morning and it was (Rv Associated Press.)

RESUME SAILINGS

(By Associated Press.)

Orleans will dock tomorrow. The Orleans and the freighter Rochester were the first American ves-Europe after diplomatic relations sist that this legislature is no more Negotiations with diplomatic rep-sailed from New York, February 18 for Liverpool, as not been heard from.

del overt act, and hurriend the ing to do just what he announced has been captured from the Turks program now. n his address before congress and by the British forces, according to heident Wilson in asking to be seek authority to protect American a statement in the house of commons today by Bonar Law.

ting the American flags from the art of war. It is to prepare tht United States for what may be warlike

additional authority to protect Ahe before in the infancy of the merican rights. There have been re- of another rare treat tomorrow night in their passage. ports that such a move would be opposed in congress, but he decided to posed in congress who atfarce comedy. All persons who at- prison farm and its management is take the chance.

The president's address will point show is for laughing purposes, and the week. Dominant members of k lling of Lewis Hooker of Fisherout that Germany's acts since the those who recall how well the perfor- the comimttee indicate that the pe re- ville last September was shot and resident Wilson in beginning his break of diplomatic relations indr mance of "Thorns and Orange Blos- sult of the investigation will be that

Policy was forthwith put in-

(By Associated Press)

Paris, Feb 26.-The fifth contin-The president will point out that clared to be the best of the five and hile he desires peace there is some while he desires peace, there is somethe German submaring white ne desires peace, there is some its instance of its predecessors. They against Germany's acts commit- tection of the sovere gn rights of A- have witnessed a two and a half years that of the recruits of 1915 mobilized Mr. Wilson's decision to go before at the height of the enthusiasm over the victory of the Marne.

Vessels, and a congestion is fact that Germany's campaign is 1918, which numbers about 340,000 prices today. Opening quotations, more rapidly serious every keeping American ships tied up in including something like 30,000 re- which ranged from the same as was adjourned, are was adjourned 1.51 1-4 to 1.51 1-2, were followed good for armed service or adjourned 1.51 1-4 to 1.51 1-2, were followed for lack of physical development-too by a moderate setback Mr. Wilson's decision to go before small chest expansion. Only five they are suffering there congress was partly caused by the per cent are placed in the category of the hopelessly unfit to bear arms be no recourse but to armed neu- fact that Germany's campaign is and assigned to auxiliary services. by which we shall know how to keeping American ships tied up in This is only half the average percen-

Arming American merchantmen or war began. "It may be that sports The market closed steady. Arming American merchantinen of war began.

Arming American merchantinen of war began. trust me to act with reare two methods of protecting Amer- the cities, but it should not be for-of amity and good faith and have been taken were not given. In who practice no other sport than that October _______16.14 that belief that I request that addition to placing guns on Amer- of handling the ploy, the axe and the addition to placing guns on Amer- of handling the ploy, the farmer boys addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy, the addition to placing guns on Amerof handling the ploy handlin zones. A bond issue may be author- portated in the Zouaves-the terrors ashington, Feb. 26—President President Wilson will point out The city boys—students particularly prefer aviation, an arm that appeals

by States to make the force of the course of the United States. No new arm ships to protect American rights to states to make the force of the course of the United States. on the high seas, the American line New York, Feb. 26 __If President line announced today.

Raleigh, Feb. 26.-Morning, after-Paris, Feb. 26.—The American noon and night sessions promise to be Euenos Aires, Feb. 26.—According freighter New Orleans has been sig- the order of the day with both to the La Nacion, the Argentine naled entering the mouth of the branches of the legislature as the Gironde, according to a Bordeaux week advances, this being the last week of the 60 days to which the about joint action by the Latindispatch to the Havas Agency. The state constitution limits the sessions American republics in offering mediaof the general assembly.

There is a vast deal of work that ed States will not be asked to take those experienced in the progress of part because of the break with Ger- line steamship Laconia, 18,099 tons gross, which behind any more than is usually the case, and the committees probably haven't so many bills in hand yet to haven't so many bills in hand yet to put in force early this week limiting the further introduction of bills, and the further introduction of bills, and the usual steps taken to concentrate on the really important local and general bills that are pending to save them from the "left over" graveyard. The biggest task the legislature faces is the perfection of the enablng acts for the government of the cities, towns and incoroprated vil-

lages under the constitutional amendment Leaders say that these bills will have to have separate day roll call votes in each house, and to give these without danger of default through lack of a quorum they must be in the hands of one of the other the as if the country were at No announcement was made, but have taken the place of the it was learned that the president was in the it was learned that the president was in the interval of the it was learned that the president was in the interval of the

Brenizer bills into one measure to aged. This announcement was made cover the whole scope of financial in the house of commons today by Sir and civic control, and then put this Edward Carson. consol dated bill through without further delay. The biggest block to progress has been the sections as to the annexation of suburban territory by towns. But this will be settled BROTHER SHOOTS DOWN by the joint committee in executive session Monday or Tuesday, and the whole bill made ready for immediate passage so far as separate day roll Hickory theatre-goers are assured call bills can be termed immed ate

pleading for a long while.

the proposed abolition of corporal torney. punishment is out of the question, as that is essential for the control of many of the negroes and depraved white men, too, who find their way into the prison. The committee will insist that there must be adequate conveniently arranged and sanitary stockades with ample bathing and more heavily than before the neutrality." He has made full pre- gent of conscripts called out in France other sanitary facilities which the of February when the new policy parations for arming or convoying since August 1914 is now passing be- management will be required to keep fore the medical examining boards; in thorough condition. They will

MARKETS

(By Associated Press) the victory of our ship owners to risk congress was partly caused by the Ninety five per cent of the class of son's action had no effect on wheat

> COTTON FUTURES (By Associated Press)

American ports. Such a condition, tage of exemptions before the war.

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The physique of the young men from three to 13 cents on the opening least may be made presentable. A been attributed to the growing practrading was weaker following the an-ly may seem an extravagance at the spent Sunday in Hickory.

HICKORY MARKETS Cotton. None. Wheat ____

THE WEATHER

THE STREET, ST

ships will resume sailings as soon as guns can be provided, officers of the guns can be provided, officers of the tonight fresh to strong southwest

BRITISH STEAMER SUNK

(By Associated Press.)

(Ly Associated Press.)

c tizenship bill was finished by the

ASHEVILLE WINS

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Substitutions: Mitchell from center

Columbus county She will spend a

(By Associated Press.,

Perlin, v'a Sayville, Feb. 26 .__

Russian attacks were repulsed.

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Abernethy

Washington, Feb. 26 .- Appropria-

Giant Passenger Vessel, Carrying Hundred Pas-

be Americans.

(By Associated Press.)

The survivors of the Laconia are said to num-

New York, Feb. 26.--The Laconia sailed from

(By Associated Press.)

New York on February 18 with 100 passengers,

sengers, Sent to Bottom by Submarine-Many Lives Lost, Some of Whom May tion for ending the war. The Unit-Queenstown, Ireland, Feb. 26.--The Cunard

ships sailed from New York for the last week of a session. Indeed, American republics will be negotiated has been sunk.

SHIPS ber 270. They will be landed tonight.

(By Associated Press.) London, Feb. 26.—German destroygate early today. One woman and It is quite probable that Monday, one child were killed and two persons

SLAYER OF BROTHER tion ofg \$6,000,000 for federal relief in the food situation and to devise

(By Associated Press) Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 26. John Idaho Action was deferred. break of diplomatic relations indrate that the perestance for the ferman neutral shipping.

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The play will be for the bene-fit of the Hickory Library.

The shorting of "Thorns and Orange Blossult of the investigation will be that she will go forward in her buildings and equipment for the care and control of the convicts, a change is Hooker. The shorting of the shorti and control of the convicts, a change is Hooker. The shooting occurred that prison management has been at the entrance of the court house. He Members of the committee say that surrendered to the commonwealth at-

WITH SIXTY PAYS house for the president's signature.

Mr J. D. Elliott announced today, will have the brick building of the the Asheville high school team by mercial purposes. Hickory Spinning Cmpany completed the score of 71 to 8 in 60 days if the weather is half right. Despite the one sidedness of the This company, on scuring the contract score it was an interesting game on the third of February ex-seas unmolested by any foreign na
the total distance of the hardships of trench life in this war have been concealed from the third of February ex-seas unmolested by any foreign na
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Asheve the same as when I addressed right of American ships the same as when I addressed right of A is hoped to have the mill running by 71 points. the first of July.

CARE OF A HUSBAND

A husband is something that should be in every home and it may be made quite useful. There is nothing better to use n cleaning an old C. Huffman carpet than a husband. Husbands last longer and are more serviceable Mitchell, if kept in good order Develop a habit of keeping your husband in the to left guard; C. Huffman from left New York, Feb. 26.—The cotton proper place and in good repair. Few the which may lead to it. No

War can come only by direct congress.

been attributed to the growing practic leaders have made article of sports in France during the says are shortening the says and in wear. The thrifty housewife hates to see a useless thing around says a man who has attended the excan ships and lives.

been attributed to the growing practic leaders have made article of sports in France during the says in would appear before congress and ask for authority to protect Ameritance of the place, especially a husband. A including one bull for \$250, to Mr. few simple rules faithfully followed Earl Hostetler of Raleigh. Open Close and you will have little trouble with 16.35 16.38 yours. Never let them be exposed Miss Frances Geitner left Satur-long spell of hard frost meant that 16.36 to night air. Trim them every day to visit friends at Bordman, the Geramns were stealthily with-16.39 Saturday night.—Detroit Journal

GOOD PRESENTATION

A large and apprec'ative audience \$2.00 enjoyed the program given by the Frid and Blossom" Society of the Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran church last night The children showed the result of much careful training and prepara-

tion. The most interesting number on the program was the presentation of the "Floral Clock," by thirteen of For North Carolina: Cloudy tonight the members, Fredrick Holder lead-

> Alemada, Cal., is now run by a city manager.

among whom are ten Americans.

(By Associated Press.) WITHOUT WARNING (By Associated Press) London, Feb. 26.—It is stated authentically that the Laconia was tor-

AMERICANS IN CREW

pedoed without warning.

(By Associated Press) New York, Feb. 26.-Twenty Americans, all native born, were members of the crew of the Laconia.

First cabin passengers totaled 33 and second cabin 42. The crew numbered 216. There were no steerage passengers.

FROST WIRES LONDON (By Associated Press)

London, Feb. 26 -Wesley Frost, better distribution methods was proposed in a resolution introduced in a American consul at Queenstown, resolution today by Senator Porah of telegraphed the American carbassy here as follows: "Cunarder Laconia torpedoed 10:50

Saturday night. 278 survivors landed. Details lacking, but known some missing. One dead,

READY FOR WILSON STATESVILLE MILL IS GRANTED CHARTER Washington, Feb 26 .- Final congressional action on the Porto Rican

(By Associa d Press.) senate today and sent to the white Raleigh, Feb. 26.-The Sterling Mills, Inc, of Statesville, capitalized at \$125,000 was chartered by the Hickory's chances for the state secretary of state today. The con-The Elliott Lidding Company, championship went glimmering when cern proposes to mill wheat, oats, they were defeated in Asheville by corn and grains of all kinds for com-

DeYoung Berlin via Sayville, Feb. 26 -- An ----- Wilkeson unsuccessful attack was made in the Smith Champagne yesterday by the French, it was announced by the war office Brown today.

> TEUTONS SHORTENING LINE IN THE ANCRE

London, Feb 26 .- Reuter's corres-France sends a description of how arrived at sometime ago, and that the recent German activity during the few days at St. Mary's, Raleigh, en drawing their guns and breaking up their ammunition dumps near the front line.

The correspondent adds that apparently the German retreat was carried on to a depth of about three miles, and that they employed ob-TACKS struct ve tactics with rear guard actions. struct ve tactics without resorting to

(By Associated Press) Philadelphia, Feb. 26.—Lunacy - proceedings were begun in common yesterday in the Carpathians. Strong pleas court here today to determine

the sanity of Harry K. Thaw.